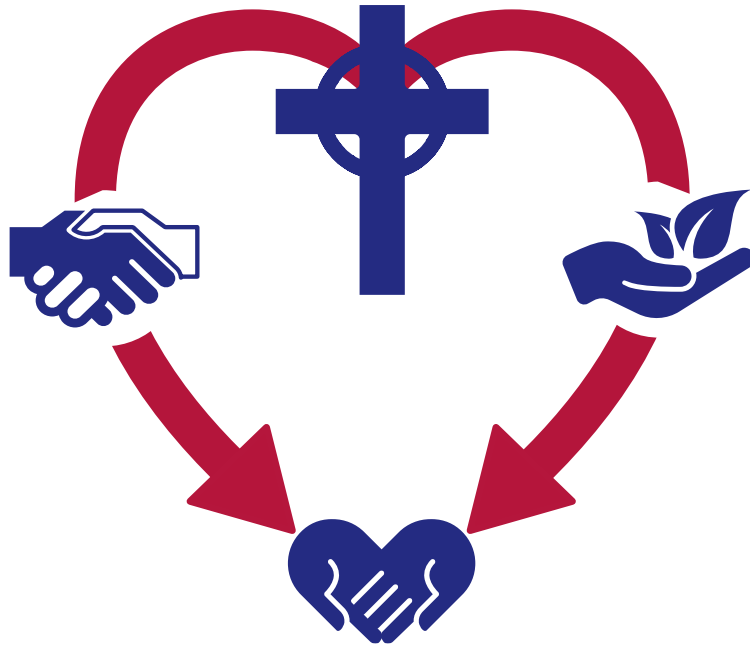
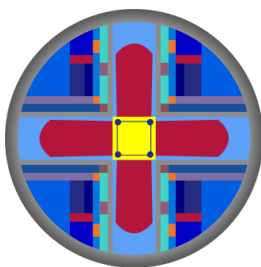


We are imperfect believers, passionate
about sharing the love of Christ:
by **Connecting**, **Growing**, and **Serving**.



A Service of Worship for the Lord's Day
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 6, 2026

Welcome! If you are visiting, please use the QR code on the visitor card found in the pew rack to share your information online or fill out the back of the card and drop it in the offering plate. Prayer cards, with the same options, are also available and we invite you to share your concerns and allow us to pray with you.



St. Andrews
Presbyterian Church

We Gather to Worship God

***Congregation stands as noted**

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Introit

Call to Worship (Matthew 11 CEB)

Leader: Come to me all you who are struggling hard and carrying heavy loads,

People: and I will give you rest.

Leader: Put on my yoke, and learn from me.

People: I am gentle and humble.

Leader: And you will find rest for yourselves.

People: My yoke is easy to bear, and my burden is light. Amen.

Invocation

***Opening Hymn #308**

“O God in Whom All Life Begins”

We Acknowledge Our Brokenness and Seek Reconciliation with God

Preparing Our Hearts for Confession - “Confession”

Words/Music by Kenneth Jones

(front cover of hymnal)

Lord, I come before you, asking your forgiveness. I am broken, I have faltered. I have turned from you.

Create in me a new heart. Fill me with your love. Grant that I receive your grace, I pray.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Amen.

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

God of work and of rest, you call us to both. You who are revealed as a gardener, a shepherd, a potter, and a midwife; you rejoice in the works of our hands. You who are revealed as the redeemer, the Sabbath giver, the savior, and one who rests with creation; you command us to take time for rest and renewal. Help us to work diligently, to do justice, and to enjoy the fruits of our labor. Help us to guard our rest and the rest of others. Help us to work for the just compensation for labor and the provision for all people. In the silence of this moment, welcome us into your rest, and support one another as the body of Christ...

Time of Silent Reflection and Personal Prayer of Confession

Leader: And all the people of Christ say,

People: Amen.

***Assurance of Pardon**

Leader: Well done, you are a good and faithful servant! you have been faithful over a little. I'll put you in charge of much. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel, in Jesus the Christ you are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God!

***Thanks for God's Forgiveness (#581)**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

***Passing of the Peace**

Leader: Grace to you, and peace from God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

***Transition Hymn #59**

"The Steadfast Love of the Lord"

We Respond to God's Faithfulness in Our Life

Offering Our Lives to Jesus through Our Time, Gifts, and Resources

(see the 'Giving' card in the pew rack for information about options for digital giving)

***Doxology (#606)**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

God's Word Is Read and Proclaimed

Time for Young Disciples

(Children are dismissed at this time for Children's Church and Bible Builds)

Special Music

Kenneth Jones

"The Great Commission"

words and music by Jay Stocker

Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 12:12-27

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Proclamation of God's Word

Rev. AJ Ochart

"Essential Workers"

Responding to God's Word

***Hymn of Preparation for Communion #510**

"We Gather Here in Jesus' Name"

Sacrament of Holy Communion (see liturgy on laminated card in pew rack)

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Invitation to the Table

Communion of the People

Prayer after Communion

Sending Out Into the World

***Sending Hymn # 733**

“We All Are One in Mission”

***Charge and Blessing**

***Congregational Benediction #747**

“The Lord Now Sends Us Forth”

***Postlude**

Flowers: the flowers were placed in the sanctuary by Sandee and Kevin Cribbs in memory of Pam and Kalie Cribbs.

Thank you for choosing to worship with us today. We hope you were blessed so you can go and be a witness to Christ’s love in the world. May your spirits be renewed for the days ahead.



**Rev. AJ Ochart, Pastor
Kenneth Jones, Director of Music
Ann Paschall, Lay Leader**

